

Communities such as Cannelton, Kimberley, Powellton, Smithers, and Deep Water joined together, creating a unique bond that remains today.

The Class of 1951 should be commended for renewing the bonds fostered more than 50 years ago. In celebrating this occasion, its members remind us of the importance of community in our own lives.

In honor of Montgomery High School class of 1951, on the occasion of its 50th anniversary, I am reminded that “between the lofty mountains where the great Kanawha flows, in a valley that is magic and the seed of wisdom grows. Hail Montgomery.”•

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 10:42 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2216) making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, and for other purposes.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill, previously received from the House of Representatives for concurrence, was read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 2500. An act making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-2957. A communication from the Acting Director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Strategic Plan for Fiscal Years 2001 to 2007; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2958. A communication from the Comptroller General of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the list of General Accounting Office reports for May 2001; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-2959. A communication from the Acting Director of the United States Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Physicians' Comparability Allowance Program Presidential Report for 2001; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-2960. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, a report entitled “Health and Safety of the District's Mentally Ill Jeopardized by Program Deficiencies and Inadequate Oversight”; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-2961. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation entitled “Medicare Contracting Reform Amendments of 2001”; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2962. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “2000 Differential Earnings Rate” (Rev. Rul. 2001-33) received on July 18, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2963. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Relief from Nondiscrimination Rules for Certain Church Plans and Federal/International Plans” (Notice 2001-46) received on July 18, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2964. A communication from the General Counsel of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation entitled “Defense Production Act Amendments of 2001”; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2965. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a Determination to allow the Export-Import Bank to finance the sale of defense articles to Venezuela; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2966. A communication from the Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the semiannual Monetary Policy Report dated July 2001; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2967. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of the Office of the Chief Accountant, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Commission Policy Statement on the Establishment and Improvement of Standards Related to Auditor Independence” received on July 18, 2001; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2968. A communication from the Director of the Office of Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Risk-Based Capital” (RIN2550-AA02) received on July 18, 2001; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2969. A communication from the Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation entitled “To authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to prescribe, adjust, and collect fees to cover the costs incurred by the Secretary for activities related to the review and maintenance of licenses and registrations under the Animal Welfare Act”; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2970. A communication from the Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Regulations Under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act for Plant-Incorporated Protectants (Formerly Plant-Pesticides)” (RIN2070-AC02) received on July 16, 2001; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2971. A communication from the Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Exemption From the Requirement of a Tolerance Under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for Residues Derived Through Conventional Breeding From Sexually Compatible Plants of Plant-Incorporated Protectants

(Formerly Plant-Pesticides)” (RIN2070-AC02) received on July 16, 2001; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2972. A communication from the Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Exemption From the Requirement of a Tolerance Under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for Residues of Nucleic Acids that are Part of Plant-Incorporated Protectants (Formerly Plant-Pesticides)” (RIN2070-AC02) received on July 16, 2001; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2973. A communication from the Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Plant-Incorporated Protectants (Formerly Plant-Pesticides), Supplemental Proposal” (RIN2070-AC02) received on July 16, 2001; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2974. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Exemption From the Requirement of a Tolerance Under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for Residues Derived Through Conventional Breeding From Sexually Compatible Plants of Plant-Incorporated Protectants (Formerly Plant-Pesticides)” (FRL6057-6) received on July 17, 2001; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2975. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Exemption From the Requirement of a Tolerance Under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for Residues of Nucleic Acids that are Part of Plant-Incorporated Protectants (Formerly Plant-Pesticides)” (FRL6057-5) received on July 17, 2001; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2976. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Regulations Under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act for Plant-Incorporated Protectants (Formerly Plant-Pesticides)” (FRL6057) received on July 17, 2001; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2977. A communication from the Acting Administrator of the Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Research and Promotion Branch, Agricultural Marketing Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Blueberry Promotion, Research, and Information Order; Amendment No. 1” (Doc. No. FV-00-706-FR) received on July 18, 2001; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2978. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; State of Missouri” (FRL7015-8) received on July 16, 2001; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2979. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; State of Missouri” (FRL7015-9) received on July 16, 2001; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2980. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator of the